

**M e m o r a n d u m**

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

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Action Item

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Subject: **NEW PUBLIC ROAD CONNECTION, 03-ED-50 KP 18.3, Resolution S-716**

**RECOMMENDATION**

The Department recommends the California Transportation Commission approve the attached Resolution S-716. The resolution approves a new public road connection to Route 50 near the Shingle Springs Rancheria in the County of El Dorado.

The Project Report and the Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Assessment were approved November 2002.

Recommended by:

  
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Chief Engineer

### **Background**

The project proposes to construct a new public road connection at the Shingle Springs Rancheria on State Route 50 between the Shingle Springs Drive and the Greenstone Road interchanges. The Shingle Springs Rancheria historically has had no direct connection to the freeway and relies on residential streets only. This restricts commercial development, deliveries and emergency access. In the year 2000, representatives of the Rancheria began working with the Department on developing alternatives for more direct access to Route 50. The Department approved a Project Study Report for the construction of the interchange on November 28, 2001.

### **Proposal**

The project proposes to construct a grade separated interchange on Route 50, connecting to the Shingle Springs Rancheria. The preferred alternative is a directional connector ramp configuration, which will include an auxiliary lane for Eastbound Route 50. The auxiliary lane will be constructed from the on-ramp at the Shingle Springs Drive Interchange to the off-ramp at the proposed new public road connection.

A Project Study Report (PSR) was approved by the Department on November 28, 2001. The Draft Project Report was approved on May 13, 2002. The Project Report and the Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Assessment were approved in November, 2002.

The current cost estimate for the project is \$14.6 million and will be funded using non-State funds. This project is scheduled to begin construction January 2003.

### **Coordination**

The project is proposed by the US Department of Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA). BIA will act as an agent for the Rancheria and will enter into agreements with the Department.

Fact sheets for exceptions to mandatory and advisory design standards have been approved.

### **Conclusion**

The proposed new public road connection is considered to be in the best interest of the public.

### **Attachments**

Resolution S-716  
Exhibit A  
Exhibit B

**CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION  
Resolution Authorizing A New Public Road Connection  
3-ED-50 KP 18.3 (PM 11.4)**

**Resolution S-716**

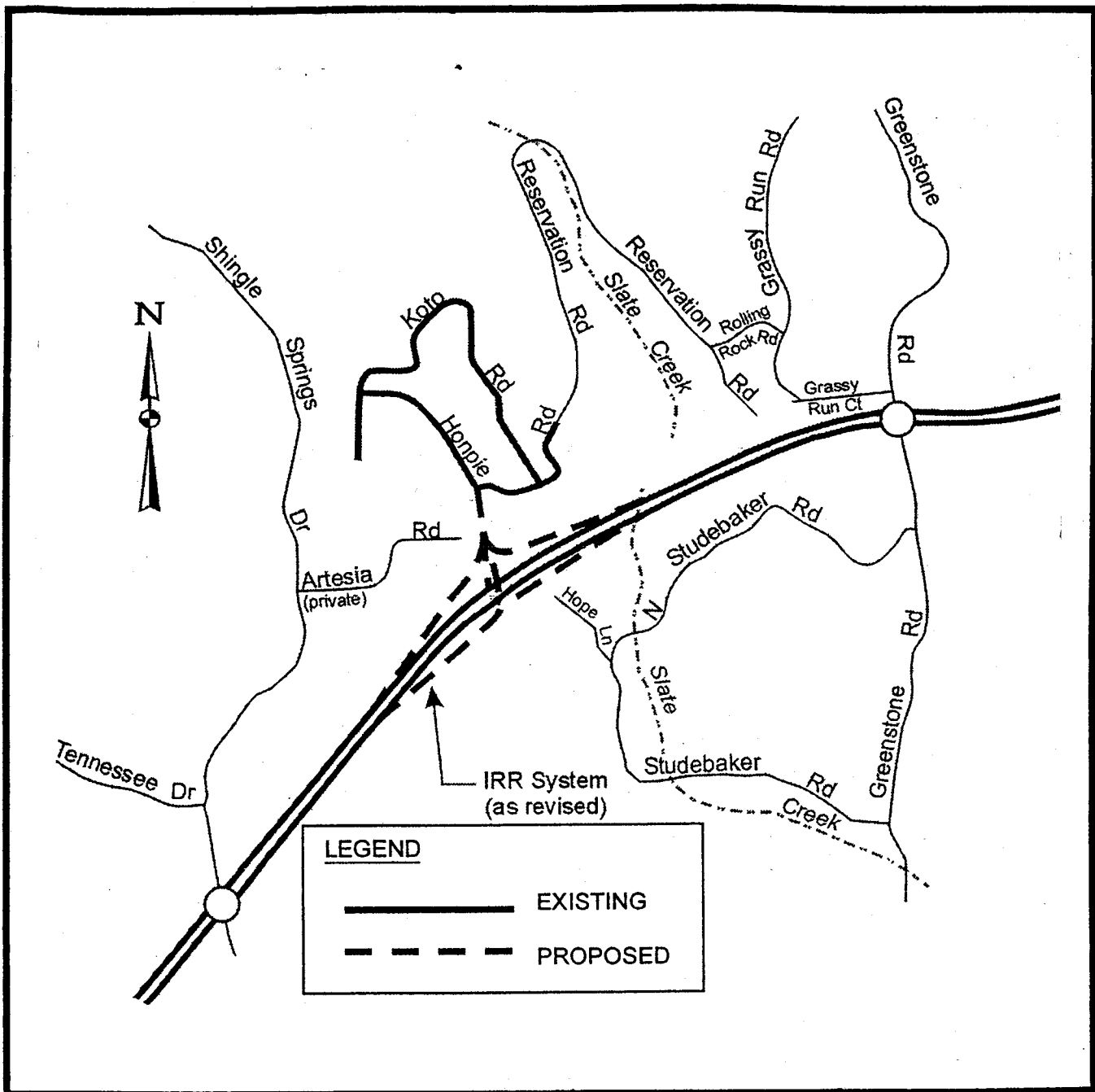
**WHEREAS**, the Bureau of Indian Affairs, an agent for the Shingle Springs Rancheria, has requested approval of a new public road connection from the Shingle Springs Rancheria to State Route 50; and

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Transportation has completed an Environmental Impact Report in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act; and,

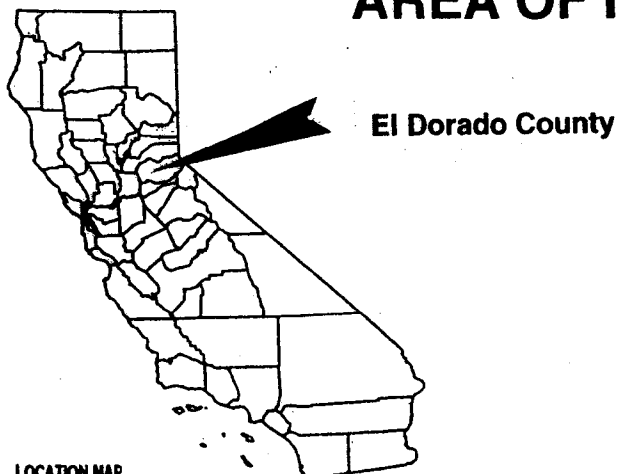
**WHEREAS**, the project will not have a significant effect on the environment; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the California Transportation Commission that pursuant to the authority vested in it by law, this Commission does hereby authorize a new public road connection to State Route 50 at the Shingle Springs Rancheria, KP 18.3 (PM 11.4) in the County of El Dorado; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that cost of construction and right of way shall be borne by others.



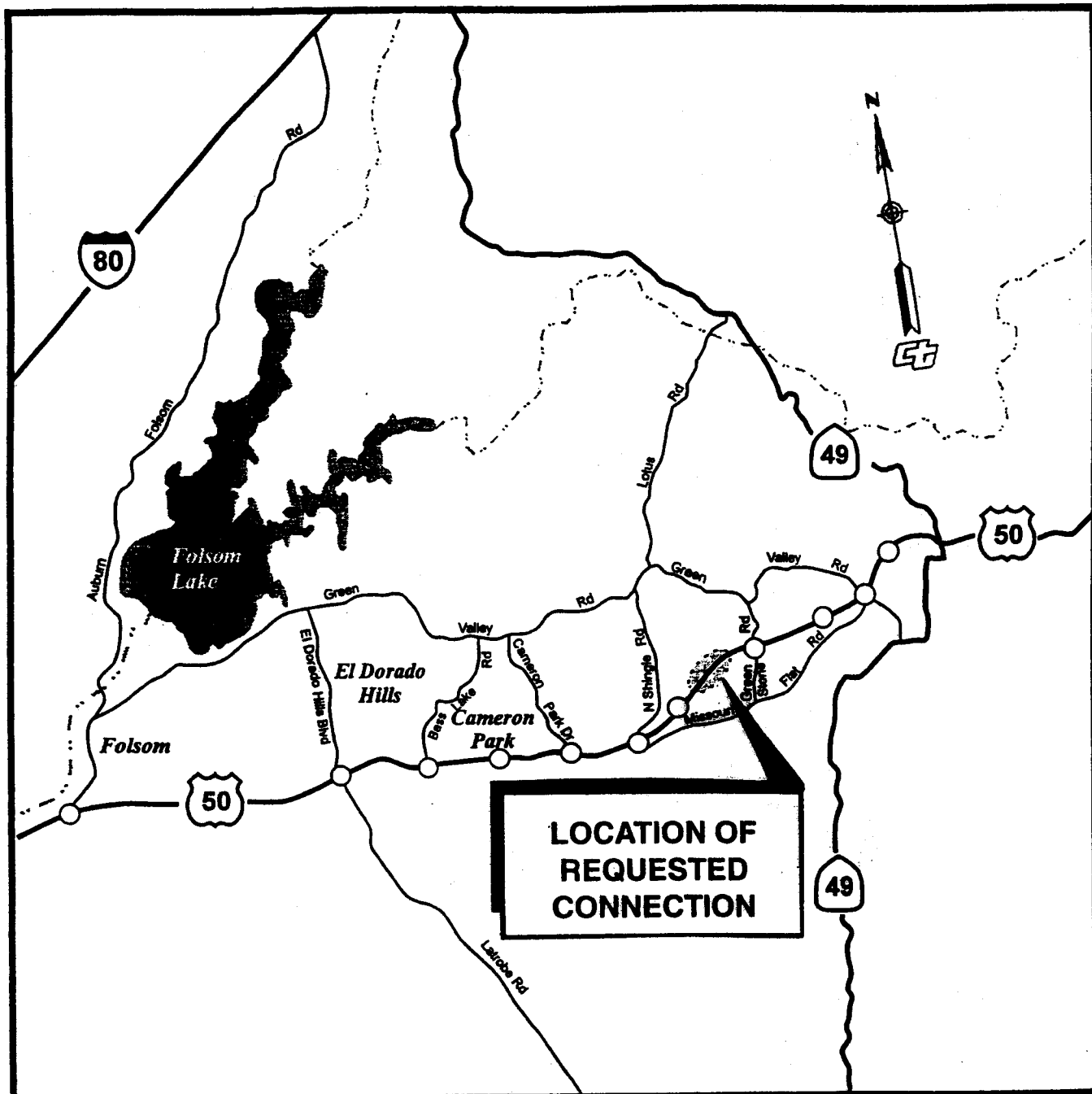
## NEW PUBLIC ROAD CONNECTION AREA OF INTEREST MAP



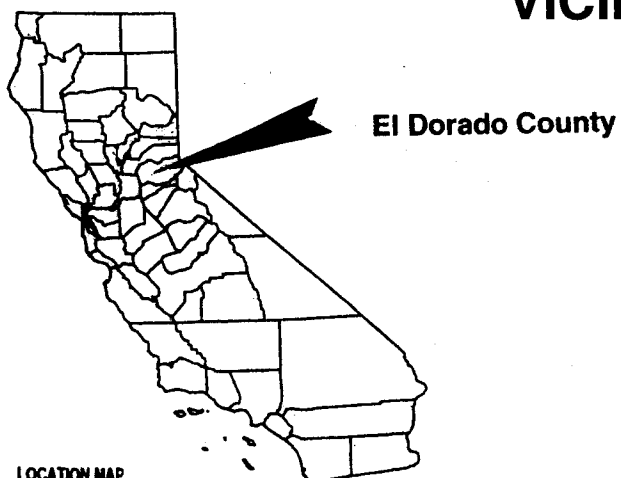
LOCATION MAP

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**EXHIBIT A**



## NEW PUBLIC ROAD CONNECTION VICINITY MAP



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EXHIBIT B